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"Note considerable conjecture about expected spectacular USSR diplomatic initiative designed to create maximum confusion and uncertainty in the West. Following Paris version is most interesting, of several. Moscow would advocate creation of European Union guaranteed by Soviet and US comprising unified Germany, France, Italy, Benelux, Austria, Yugoslavia and East European countries. All these bound by nonaggression pacts within Union requiring no sacrifice of sovereignty but giving coordinated defense, including strictly limited German contribution. Though relatively clumsy attempt to divide West, this would emphasize need to strengthen NATO and inspire more positive, purposeful cohesion."

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